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## Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 4 Percent in September

HARRISBURG, PA – October 26, 2010 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during September 2010 totaled 561 million eggs, up 4 percent from the 539 million eggs produced in September 2009, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 23.7 million during September, a four percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,372 eggs during the month, an increase of 2 eggs overall from September 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 13.6 million during September 2010, about the same as the same month last year.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.48 billion during September 2010, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.43 billion table eggs, and 1.05 billion hatching eggs, of which 980 million were broiler-type and 70 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2010 averaged 337 million, up one percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,218 eggs, up slightly from September 2009.

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2010 totaled 40.3 million, down one percent from September 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2010 totaled 761 million, up three percent from September 2009. There were 21.8 million net poults placed during September 2010 in the United States, up four percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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